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SUBJECT: 863 ISSUE AT SECOND SESSION OF CONFERENCE ON LAW OF WAR

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1. POL COUNSELOR JANUARY 21 DISCUSSED WITH AMBASSADOR JOSE LUIS MARTINEZ, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL POLICY IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE QUESTION OF PARTICIPATION BY HQQE "PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT GLFSQVB VIETNAM" (PRG) MIGHT BE RAISED AT THE SECOND SESSION OF THE LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE BEGINNING FEBRUARY 3 IN GENEVA. MARTINEZ, WHO WAS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN THE 29TH UNGA, IS VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE PRG ISSUE IN THE UNITED NATIONS AS WELL AS WITH THE U.S. POSITION AS TO THE PRG.

2. POL COUNSELOR HARDLY HAD TIME TO REVIEW THE U.S. POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE PRG (PARA 2 OF STATE 8673) WHEN MARTINEZ INTERRUPTED TO RECALL THAT VENEZUELA IN FEBRUARY 1974 HAD VOTED AGAINST THE PRG PARTICIPATING IN THE LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE. MARTINEZ STATED
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FLATLY THAT THE VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT REMAINS OPPOSED TO PRG

PARTICIPATION IN ANY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OR CONFERENCE,
THAT THE U.S. CAN COUNT ON CONTINUED GOV SUPPORT ON THIS MATTER,
AND THAT THE GOV DELEGATION TO THE CONFERENCE,WHICH WILL BE
HEADED BY A VENEZUELAN ARMY COLONEL, WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO VOTE
AGAINST THE PRG ALL ALONG THE LINE.
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